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INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS were revamped by the President.

Carter ordered a major reorganization of the intelligence community, designed to streamline responsibilities and to put strict new curbs on covert activities. CIA Director Stansfield Turner emerged with enhanced authority, particularly over the preparation of budgets not only for the agency but also for the Pentagon's National Security and Defense Intelligence arms. A major oversight role was assigned to Attorney General Bell, who now must authorize all electronic surveillance, TV monitoring and physical or mail searches of U.S. targets.

The CIA chief has caused dissatisfaction in his agency, and Carter took the occasion to express his "sincere and complete confidence" in Turner,